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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed October 3, 2006 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before December 4, 2006. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of the extension due by Applicants, as stated in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1).

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Although Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this filing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 25371-021 CIP). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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